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REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 May 30, 2003

Sir:

The above-identified application is a National Phase filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/JP98/03609, filed August 13, 1998. As indicated by the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 of record in the application, a copy of the International Search Report relating to the application and references cited therein were received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

MPEP Section 609 (II) provides that when both the international search report and copies of the cited references are in the file, the Examiner should consider the documents and indicate by a statement in the first Office Action that the information has been considered. The first substantive Office Action, mailed January 21, 2003, did not indicate that the references cited in the international search report have been considered by the Examiner.

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that written confirmation be provided in the application that the references cited in the international search report were considered by the Examiner. The references are listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

Kindly charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayment of fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (566.39636X00).

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